

**HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]**

**Adopted and Filed**

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 234.6, the Department of Human Services amends Chapter 185, "Rehabilitative Treatment Services," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments implement a 1 percent across-the-board increase for group foster care service providers as directed by 2008 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2425, section 32(6). The increase will be applied to reimbursement rates in effect on June 30, 2008. Although rehabilitative treatment and supportive services have been discontinued, the rate structure in this chapter continues to be used for child welfare services provided by foster group care facilities.

The amendments also eliminate the subrule on statewide fixed rates, since the family-centered services for which those rates were used are no longer available through this type of contract. (See **ARC 5937B**, published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on June 6, 2007, and **ARC 6515B**, published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on January 2, 2008.)

These amendments do not provide for waivers in specified situations, since a rate increase benefits the providers affected. Requests for the waiver of any rule may be submitted under the Department's general rule on exceptions at 441—1.8(17A,217).

These amendments were previously Adopted and Filed Emergency and published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on July 2, 2008, as **ARC 6911B**. Notice of Intended Action to solicit comments on these amendments was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on the same date as **ARC 6912B**. The Department received no comments on the Notice of Intended Action. These amendments are identical to those Adopted and Filed Emergency and published under Notice of Intended Action.

The Council on Human Services adopted these amendments on August 13, 2008.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 234.6 and 234.35 and 2008 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2425, section 32.

These amendments shall become effective October 15, 2008, at which time the amendments Adopted and Filed Emergency are rescinded.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of these amendments [185.112(1), 185.112(14)] is being omitted. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice as **ARC 6912B** and Adopted and Filed Emergency as **ARC 6911B**, IAB 7/2/08.

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